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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Materiel Division, OSASUBJECT: New Construction RequirementsREFERENCE: Memorandum for the Record from
OSA/MD; same subject; dated 21 Aug
62 (OXC 3865)

Following are comments on operational construction requirements as outlined in the referenced memorandum:

1. Runway - 15,000 x 200 ft.

The minimum runway requirement is 10,400 ft. of concrete with necessary overrun (Reference OXC 2489, dated 23 October 1961). Reported decreases in J-58 engine thrust and suspected increases in A-12 gross weight would dictate additional runway length.

2. Taxiway, Taxiway Lights, and Navigation Aids:

Not required if new runway (para 1. above) not constructed.

3. Air Force Operations Building:

Not required for OXCART but essential to Air Force operation. Space in present operations building is adequate for OXCART only. Security considerations would preclude joint usage regardless of space.

4. Physical Conditioning Building:

It is essential that [] maintain peak physical condition; therefore, this construction is mandatory and should receive priority attention.

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5. Tower:

Not essential to OXCART operation. Present tower is adequate.

6. Flight Simulator Building:

A complete A-12 procedural flight simulator located [redacted] is mandatory.

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